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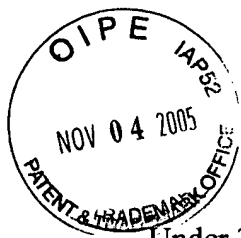
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	Filing Date	January 22, 2001	
	First Named Inventor	Zaghouni, H.	
	Art Unit	1644	
	Examiner Name	NOLAN, Patrick	
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Re: US Application No.: 09/623,728
COMPOUNDS, COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE
ENDOCYTIC PRESENTATION OF IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE FACTORS
Filing Date: January 22, 2001
Our Docket No.: 8114-005-WO-CIP.2-US

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following documents related to the above-identified matter:

1. Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/21) (1 page);
2. Petition Under 37 CFR §1.8(b) For Withdrawal of Improper Abandonment (2 pages);
3. Exhibit A (Amendment and Response to Office Action Dated January 2, 2004) (9 pages); and
4. Self-addressed, stamped postcard

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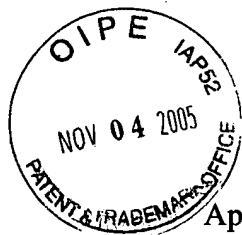
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Sincerely yours,



David M. Kohn
Catalyst Law Group, APC
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Enclosures



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Zaghouani, H.	Examiner:	NOLAN, Patrick
Serial No.:	09/623,728	Art Unit:	1644
Filed:	January 22, 2001	Attorney Ref. No.:	8114-005-WO-CIP.2-US
Title: COMPOUNDS, COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE ENDOCYTIC PRESENTATION OF IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE FACTORS			

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(b) FOR WITHDRAWAL OF IMPROPER
ABANDONMENT**

Dear Sir:

1. Applicant hereby respectfully submits the following petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.8(b), allowing Applicant to retain the timely reply date of July 2, 2004 from the previous Office Action response filed in the above identified application.

2. Applicant respectfully acknowledges learning of the Notice of Abandonment sent in application number 09/623,728 on November 1, 2005, which was the date Applicant first had access to the file wrapper of the above mentioned application. Further, Applicant respectfully requests notice of the proffered evidence of the timely filing of the Office Action response which was due July 2, 2004. Such evidence is herewith attached as Exhibit A.

3. Applicant understands, under 37 C.F.R. §1.8(c), the Office may require additional evidence in order to determine whether the correspondence was timely filed. Applicant further directs the Office to the file wrapper in the application, showing the receipt of the Office Action response on July 6, 2004 but still sending out a Notice of Abandonment on July 13, 2004.

Applicant believes this matter to be resolved upon receipt of this Petition and that no fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.8(b). Additionally, the patent term will be unaffected if it is found that the Notice of Abandonment was indeed improper. If there are any questions or comments, Applicant's attorney may be reached at the telephone number state below.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: November 2, 2005

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D.M. Kohn', written over a horizontal line.

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Exhibit A



UTILITY/DESIGN PATENT

Date: 7/2/04

Rec'd in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on the date stamped hereon via Certificate of mail:

Case # AIIZA. 143C1 S/N: 09/623,728 Filed: 1/22/01

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Examiner: P. Nolan Art Unit: 1644 Atty: J. Wurst

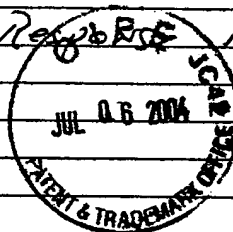
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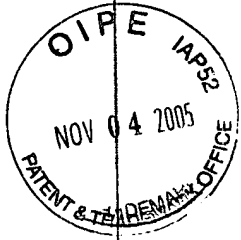
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
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1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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Name (Print/Type)	John E. Wurst	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	40,283	Telephone	858-410-5174
Signature		Date	July 2, 2004		

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2004, applicant has the following response:

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REMARKS

Claims 1 - 7 and 21 - 28 are pending in the application. No claims are amended by this response. Applicant hereby applies for a three-month extension of time.

Claims 1 - 7 and 21 - 28 stand rejected over WO 90/09804 ("Zanetti") under 35 USC 102(b). However, applicant respectfully disagrees. Zanetti teaches the use of certain engineered immunoglobulins for the purpose of inducing an immune response to a delivered epitope:

The present invention is based upon the successful production of novel immunoglobulin molecules having introduced into the N-terminus variable region thereof a novel epitope not ordinarily found in the immunoglobulin molecule used as a starting molecule, such epitopes retain specific reactivity. Preferably such reactivity is characterized by the epitope's ability to stimulate an antigenic response. Page 5, lines 8 - 15 of Zanetti (emphasis added).

In fact, Zanetti is concerned mostly with creating a vaccine:

The present invention is further directed to pharmaceutical compositions containing, as essential pharmaceutical principal, a novel immunoglobulin hereof, particularly those in the form of an administratable pharmaceutical vaccine. Zanetti, Page 5, lines 26 - 30.

Examples I and II, the only working Examples in Zanetti, are clearly concerned with generating antibodies to the delivered antigen. For instance, in Example 1, on page 19, it is stated:

To determine whether the recombinant γ_1 NANB antibody could be used to induce anti-NANP antibodies, in vivo experiments were performed in rabbits. Two rabbits were immunized with the engineered γ_1 NANP antibody, and two controls received the WT Ig. As indicated in Table 1, infra., as early as 30 days after the first immunization, both rabbits immunized with the γ_1 NANB antibody, and two controls receive the WT Ig. As indicated in Table I, infra., as early as the 30 days after the first immunization, both rabbits immunized with the γ_1 NANB antibody produced anti-NANP antibodies detectable by ELISA and RIA. Zanetti, page 19, lines 8 - 15.

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Pages 19 – 20 go on to discuss an “immunization scheme” with booster injections. Example II is also focused on creating an “antibody vaccine” (see pages 23 – 24).

There are only two brief passages mentioned in Zanetti where it is theorized that the engineered immunoglobulins of Zanetti might be useful in treatments of autoimmune disorders. On page 5, lines 31 – 33, Zanetti states:

The present invention is further directed to methods useful for building tolerance to certain antigens, including those associated with autoimmune diseases, or for down-regulating hypersensitivity to allergens ...

The Abstract of Zanetti states the following:

The epitope-containing immunoglobulins are useful in treating such diseases as autoimmune disorders, as the epitope inserted into the binding domain of the immunoglobulin is capable of inducing or preventing sensitization of the host to that epitope.

It is unclear precisely what strategy Zanetti has in mind for use of his engineered immunoglobulins in “building tolerance to certain antigens” or for “downregulating hypersensitivity to allergens.” These two passages are the only mention of use of immunoglobulins as taught in Zanetti for treatment of autoimmune disorders. There is no mention of how or in what strategy the immunoglobulins of Zanetti would be used to prevent sensitization of the host to an epitope. It is probable that Zanetti is referring to displacement of self-pathogenic peptides and not engagement of autoreactive T cells because displacement of self-pathogenic peptides was a favored strategy at that time. There is no teaching in Zanetti which would lead one to the conclusion that it is the same mechanism of the claimed invention. Thus, it would not be accurate to state that Zanetti is a proper 102(b) reference over the claimed invention which requires “downregulation of autoreactive T cells.” Nothing in Zanetti mentions “T cell receptor agonist for presentation on the surface of said antigen presenting cell ... thereby resulting in downregulation of autoreactive T cells” for the purpose of treating autoimmune disorders. To be a proper 102(b) rejection, every element of the claim must be present must be present in the prior art reference. Richardson vs. Suzuki Motor Co., 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 USPQ2d, 1913, 1920 (CAFC 1989); MPEP 2131. Clearly, not every element of claims 1 – 7 and 21 – 28 are

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taught in Zanetti. Nor would claims 1 - 7 and 21 - 28 be obvious under 35 USC 103(a) over Zanetti in that there is no teaching or suggestion in Zanetti of the claimed invention, that is, the mechanism by which the fusion protein of the claimed invention downregulates autoreactive T cells to treat autoimmune disorders.

Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the present application. If there are any questions, applicant's attorney can be reached at the telephone number stated below.

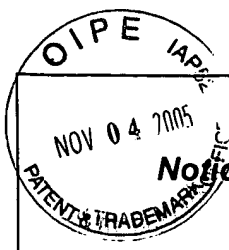
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